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- 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference JP U 60-50630 is discussed in the present specification.
- 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 2-4 are attached hereto.

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	1	JP U 60-50630	04/09/1985	JAPAN		
	2	JP A 8-157077 w/ abstract	06/18/1996	JAPAN		
	3	JP A 61-136835 w/ abstract	06/24/1986	JAPAN		
	4	JP B2 3-64411 w/ abstract	10/07/1991	JAPAN		

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